Suffolk County Board of Ethics

Minutes of Meeting Held on April 9, 2014 Office of the Board of Ethics 335 Yaphank Avenue, Yaphank, New York 11980

<u>Meeting</u>: *Board Members present*: Robin Long, Linda Spahr, Richard Halverson, and Dennis O'Doherty. *Staff present*: Samantha Segal, Executive Director and Darlene Kurrass, Board Secretary, taking minutes.

<u>Ascertainment of Quorum</u>: The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chair, Robin Long. A roll call was conducted and a quorum was present.

Adoption of Agenda: A motion was made by Dennis O'Doherty, seconded by Richard Halverson, to adopt the agenda. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (4-0-0).

<u>Adoption of Minutes</u>: A motion was made by Linda Spahr, seconded by Richard Halverson, to adopt the minutes of the March 26, 2014 Board Meeting as amended. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (4-0-0).

<u>Public Session</u>: Robin Long opened Public Session. No members of the public were present and no written testimony was submitted. Robin Long closed public session.

<u>Chair Report</u>: Robin Long discussed ongoing security concerns including, office location, after-hours trespassing and technological concerns.

<u>Executive Director Report</u>: Samantha Segal reported to the Board that blank Financial Disclosure Statement forms were mailed to the Suffolk County Judicial Facilities Agency, Fine Payment Letters were sent, to date approximately forty Financial Disclosure Statements have been filed and, discussed first point of contact for those filing designating petitions, and Lobbyist Reports.

Executive Session: At 11:00 a.m. a motion was made by Robin Long, seconded by Dennis O'Doherty to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing ongoing confidential matters pertaining to the Adoption of Adjudication by Mail Orders of March 26, 2014, one FDS Privacy Request, two Advisory Opinions, and two FDS Second Level Board Reviews in accordance with the Suffolk County Administrative Code §A30-8 and the New York State Open Meetings Law. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (4-0-0).

During Executive Session: The Board voted and adopted the Orders of the Adjudication by Mail Hearings of March 26, 2014 for FDS#s: 168 (4-0-0), 170 (4-0-0), 488 (4-0-0), 507 (4-0-0), 407 (4-0-0) and 153 (4-0-0).

The Board voted on standing of AO-2014-3 (4-0-0), AO-2014-4 (4-0-0), voted on privacy request of FDS# 497 (4-0-0) and reviewed FDS#: 172 and 137.

At 11:30 a.m. Robin Long recused (Recusal Number RL012014(3)) from participating in the discussion of AO-2014-2 and left the room. After discussion completed, Robin Long returned to the room.

At 11:35 a.m. a motion was made by Robin Long, seconded by Dennis O'Doherty to close Executive Session. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (4-0-0).

<u>New Business</u>: Board discussed potential rescheduling of the May 28, 2014 and June 25, 2014 Board Meetings.

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The next meeting of the Board will be held on April 23, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Robin Long, seconded by Dennis O'Doherty to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (4-0-0) (11:40 a.m.).